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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. X2007.0135 Attorney Docket No. UTILITY First Inventor Kiyoshi Minakuchi PATENT APPLICATION **TRANSMITTAL** Title STRINGED INSTRUMENT CASE (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. MS Patent Application **APPLICATION ELEMENTS** Commissioner for Patents ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) 7. Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission Applicant claims small entity status. 2. See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) 12 3. Х Specification [Total Pages Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below) Specification Sequence Listing on: Descriptive title of the invention
 Cross Reference to Related Applications CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or Paper Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 Reference to sequence listing, a table, Statements verifying identity of above copies c or a computer program listing appendix Background of the Invention ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS - Brief Summary of the Invention 9. - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Х Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) - Detailed Description 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Claim(s) 10. Attorney (when there is an assignee) - Abstract of the Disclosure X Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) 1 Information Disclosure Copies of IDS 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 4 12. Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations **Preliminary Amendment** a. X Newly executed (original or copy) 13. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. X (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) 15. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) (if foreign priority is claimed) Signed statement attached deleting Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. inventor(s) named in the prior application, 16. see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). Claim for Priority and Submission of Other: 17. Х **Documents** Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Prior application information: Examiner Art Unit: For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS 32172 Customer Number or Bar Code Label X | Correspondence address below DICKSTEIN SHAPIRO MORIN & OSHINSKY LLP Name Steven I. Weisburd 1177 Avenue of the Americas Address 41st Floor City **New York** State NY Zip Code | 10036-2714 US Telephone (212) 835-1400 Fax (212) 997-9880 Country Name (Print/Type) Mark J. Thronson Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 33,082 July 25, 2003 Signature Date



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